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By all accounts there is one element in Cuba as to whose getting the worst of it there is no possible doubt.

Dr. Depew Taken to Task
In his speech at the Platt dinner Mr. Depew took a position with reference to the currency question somewhat different from that of the New York senator-elect.

Common Council Takes a Brace
Common Council last night could not do otherwise than pass finally the ordinance creating a sewer district in the Eleventh, Twelfth and Nineteenth wards.

Just a Word or Two of Casual Mention
There is no more indefatigable worker in the interest of good roads in Pennsylvania than ex-Congressman A. E. Dunning.

Good Western Sense
The St. Louis Globe-Democrat does away in few words with the argument for the election of United States senators by direct popular vote.

The Wanton Slaughter of Birds
Dr. E. H. Warren, the state zoologist, strongly urges the legislature to take measures to prevent the wanton killing of insectivorous birds.

If the President-Elect Should Die
Attention has recently been called to what is pronounced a curious omission in our written scheme of government.

UNEXPLAINED
They tell you it's cream when you go to the shop. Though it's thin and unbecomingly flavory.

BEIDLEMAN, THE BOOKMAN
A bulletin of decisions has been issued by the dairy and food commissioner showing that at things are not being made or sold in Pennsylvania.

Merely an Oversight
In gunning around for cabinet material President-elect McKinley may conclude to snap a cap or two at Mr. Halsted.

One Worth Noting
It seems that Queen Victoria still sees the necessity for a distinction between "my lords and gentlemen."

Out of a Job
The man who knows all about the money question is still sitting in the cracker barrel at the corner grocery.

Time to Ret.
From the Washington Post. Having selected a United States senator, he bowed his cattle, shaved the Wagonmaker corpse, and attended to other political chores.

Time
Is not more valuable or correct told by a high-priced gold watch than by the celebrated

Bar gains
Odds and Ends, we find while taking stock, are being sold at greatly reduced prices to make room for new spring goods.

Yankee Dollar Watch
Guaranteed for one year. Second gross just in.

February
Have some good Dinner Sets we are closing out very low. \$15.00 Sets, with a few pieces short, now \$10.00.

STATE LEGISLATIVE TOPICS
Mr. Farr is understood to be at work on a measure requiring a comparison of county and federal liquor licenses, with a view to the squelching of the speak-easies.

The proposed bill requiring the selection of mine inspectors to be made by popular vote of all coal workers wearing a lamp in the production of anthracite coal which bears the endorsement of the United Mine Workers, has not yet made its appearance at Harrisburg.

Two bills for the protection of trolley motormen are now before the house at Harrisburg; one introduced by Mr. Crothers of Philadelphia, which would impose a fine of \$25 for each car not allowed within five months after the act goes into effect; and one by Alex. T. Connel making the penalty \$100 a day.

Instead of recommending a criminal insane prison exclusively for the relief of western Pennsylvania, the state board of charities will probably consider plans for the establishment of an institution that will benefit all the prisons of the state.

The new game law which is being considered by the state game commission, with a view to its enactment at Harrisburg, will provide a uniform season for hunting extending from Oct. 15 to Dec. 15.

For the benefit of theater-goers, a bill has been introduced by Representative Phippen of Allegheny, which makes it unlawful for any person to be plainly dressed at a theater, opera house or music hall or other place of amusement.

The "municipal league" bills now on file at Harrisburg are six in number. They relate primarily to Philadelphia, but contain suggestions of general interest.

A sensible amendment to the ballot law has been prepared by Representative Keator of Philadelphia. Its purpose is to do away with the "bulletin board" system of names on columns headed with the political titles.

Another anti-trust bill has made its appearance at Harrisburg. It declares it unlawful for any person to combine and pool all combinations, trusts or agreements tending to lessen full and free competition in any trade or business.

A committee of three, consisting of Leonard Rhoads, Dr. B. H. Warren and P. N. Moore, met yesterday at Harrisburg to consider how the constitutional defects in the present law, as pointed out in a recent opinion by Judge Hemphill, of Chester county, may be remedied.

The very sensible and timely remarks which are from the Philadelphia Press: "The public school appropriation, being intended to promote public education, ought to be distributed in a way best calculated to secure the greatest benefit."

The popularity of low-priced theatrical performances with the people of Scranton and its vicinity has been demonstrated during the week by the large audiences that attend the afternoon and evening performances at the Academy of Music and Frothingham, where companies are playing at popular prices.

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counting of the electoral vote on the second Wednesday in February and the inauguration; but in that case the vice president-elect would very clearly succeed to the presidency.

Congressman Dooliver, of Iowa, the originator of the phrase, "the advance agent of property," as applied to Major McKinley, was asked the other day by a Democratic constituent when the show itself might be expected to arrive.

The fact that Gotham's Four Hundred are redoubting their preparations to make a swell function of the Brady Martin ball does not disprove Dr. Rainsford's arguments; it simply confirms them.

While Weyler reports that Cuba is now practically pacified, Congressman Lee declares it is almost destroyed. But, then, pacification in the Spanish vocabulary is evidently a synonym for destruction.

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The first number of The Forum, a monthly magazine published by the students of the Dickinson School of Law at Carlisle, Pa., has made its appearance.

There is hardly a day passes but what one or more candidates go up for citizens' papers and there is hardly a candidate but who makes a voluble and fancy response to the judge's extemporizing.

What kind of a government have we here? queried Judge Archbald in a friendly sort of tone.

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